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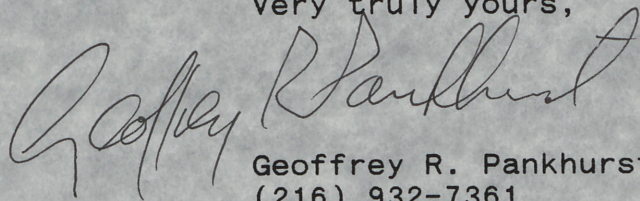
Mr. Tom Hinson
Curator of Contemporary Art
The Cleveland Museum of Art
11150 East Boulevard
University Circle
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Dear Mr. Hinson:

Enclosed please find slides and curriculum vitae,
pursuant to your request.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to
contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Geoffrey R. Pankhurst". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and phone number.

Geoffrey R. Pankhurst
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GEOFFREY R. PANKHURST

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL WORK

Although I have been a successful commercial and advertising photographer for the last two decades, both in London, England and Cleveland, Ohio, I am also enthusiastically pursuing the fine arts aspect of my photography.

The focus of my recent personal photographic work has been black-and-white portraits on various themes. I prefer large negatives for maximizing detail; and my extensive background in commercial photography has provided me with mastery of the large format camera for portraiture.

My portraits have varied and progressed through a number of themes, including studies of individuals within particular societal subcultures, as well as a series on twins. One of my ongoing projects is a collection of anonymous portraits involving collaboration and improvisation with the subjects, whose identities are not revealed.

In addition to working in the standard studio setting, I have also used a temporary studio in the field, such as in the twins project, which was produced in a tent at a twins' convention in Twinsburg, Ohio. Since I have a particular interest in portraying my subjects from the sociopolitical perspective and depicting the cultural and subcultural images of our times, I find that such a setting provides the context and feeling essential to fully developing my subjects' personalities and characteristics on film.

My work has been shown at various local galleries, the May Show at the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Trumbull Gallery in Warren, Ohio, and most recently at The Cleveland Photographic Workshop. A survey of my personal photographs was recently featured at a meeting of the American Society of Magazine Photographers. I am honored to have been chosen as a recipient for the Ohio Arts Council 1991 Individual Artists Fellowship award.